

Michael Dossett Named KYEM Regional Response Manager for Jefferson and Nearby Counties

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Frankfort, KY - August 24, 2009 - Last week Brig. Gen. John W. Heltzel, director of Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KYEM) announced the selection of Michael Dossett as the Regional Response Manager for KYEM Region 6, which includes Jefferson County and the surrounding region.

"Michael Dossett brings years of valuable experience and extensive background in law enforcement and administration to the position. I know that he will be a valued member of the KYEM Team and a great asset to the Commonwealth."

BACKGROUND:

KYEM Regional Response Manager:

One of many roles a Regional Response Manager provides is to serve as a liaison between county government and the Division of Emergency Management, both during disasters and in normal operations. The regional manager also is available and offers assistance, as needed and requested, when responding to emergencies. Many regional managers are certified instructors and teach and lead emergency service classes. After a community is impacted by a disaster, natural or man-made, regional managers lead the effort obtaining damage assessments.

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Michael Dossett:

Michael Dossett began a professional career in law enforcement in 1975, then joining the Louisville Division of Police in Louisville, Kentucky. He served with the Department for 29 years, retiring in 2004 as an Assistant Chief of Police. Following retirement he served as the Deputy Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Juvenile Justice from 2004 to 2008.

Mr. Dossett has served as a security consultant for a variety of major events. He provided consulting services to the Arcadia Police Department, Arcadia, CA, for the 2003 Breeders' Cup World Championships held at the Santa Anita Racetrack. He also served as the security consultant to the Grand Prairie Police Department, Grand Prairie, TX,

for the 2004 Breeders' Cup World Championships held at the Lone Star Racetrack.

Dossett has related experience in the fields of homeland security and crisis management, having previously served as the coordinator for the Office of Homeland Security for the Louisville Metro Police Department. He is also a certified responder for FEMA's Incident Management Team.

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